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## Correspondence from Major Mallet to Secretary of Interior

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W. S. Indian Inspection Service,  
Genoa, Nebraska, February 9, 1889.

The Honorable  
The Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In my investigation into the case of mis-  
appropriation of public funds and property by Super-  
intendent W. R. Chase, (suspended), of the Genoa  
Indian Training School, I find that ~~all the~~  
~~Weights Returns (Form 5-176);~~ ~~Certificates of Inspection~~  
~~(Form 5-134)~~ ~~and~~ Receipts for Beef delivered under contract  
(Form 5-210) given <sup>to</sup> Nils E. Skoog, ~~as~~ contractor, for beef  
delivered during the months of December and January,  
~~last~~, contain misrepresentations of fact in the kind of  
meat delivered. ~~To that~~ <sup>for per or weight</sup> ~~to prevent~~ <sup>might</sup> ~~violate~~ <sup>of law</sup>

I ~~will~~ now report on the two accounts <sup>not yet</sup>  
settled by the accounting office at Washington.

- 1 The December 1888 account is for 4,870 lbs  
of beef; ~~the~~ books of Mr. Skoog show  
that he furnished ~~by~~ 3,850 lbs of beef,  
18 turkeys <sup>valued</sup> ~~charged~~ as 300 lbs of beef &  
some lamb, which Mr. Skoog tells me Mr. Chase  
insisted on paying ~~as if~~ ~~falsely~~ by the same  
method as the turkeys. ~~as Chase admits that~~  
~~it was a mistake.~~
- 2 The Jan 1889 account is for 4,151 lbs;  
the books of Mr. Skoog show that he furnished  
3,926 lbs of beef & 140 chickens ~~falsely~~



charged on 225 lbs of beef.

The above-mentioned accounts were prepared ~~by~~  
by the ~~the~~ school employees <sup>upon memoranda furnished by</sup> ~~under the direction of~~ ~~the~~ <sup>to me</sup>  
the superintendent Mr. Skoog is respected <sup>as</sup> an  
honest Swede entirely ignorant of American systems  
of accountability & endeavor to do wrong intentionally.  
~~The~~ <sup>The</sup> November 1888 account contains more grievances  
misrepresentations than the others, as will appear in  
my final report on the investigation, which I  
am now preparing.

Very respectfully yours

Edmond Mallory  
Ind. Inspector.

He has a large unpaid ~~for~~ account charged to  
the school for food, ~~and~~ &c.



Draft of Letter to Secretary  
on Skoog's a/c.

July 9. 1889.